

**BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 6
GENERAL BOARD MEETING
P.S. 32 AUDITORIUM
317 HOYT STREET**

FEBRUARY 10, 2016

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT:

J. ARMER
P. BLAKE
D. BUSCARELLO
E. FELDER
V. HAGMAN
A. KRASNOW
S. LONIAL
T. MISKEL
M. RACIOPPO
D. SCOTTO
J. OLTMAN-SMITH
R. UNDERWOOD

R. BASHNER
F. BROWN
E. CAUSIL-RODRIGUEZ
P. FLEMING
F. JEAN
D. KUMMER
R. LUFTGLASS
M. NEUMAN
G. REILLY
M. SHAMES
J. THOMPSON
D. WILLIAMS

P. BELLENBAUM
J. BROWN
SR. R. CERVONE
A. FREEMAN
G. KELLY
R. LEVINE
E. MCCLURE
L. PINN
R. RIGOLLI
M. SILVERMAN
S. TURET

EXCUSED:

K. GURL

V. HERAMIA

ABSENT:

M. CABALLERO
A. MEHTA

J. HEYER
C. PIGOTT

H. LINK
M. RUIZ

GUESTS:

JUAN ARDELA, CITY COUNCIL MEMBER LANDER'S REPRESENTATIVE
ROBERT YOUNG, STATE SENATOR SQUADRON'S REPRESENTATIVE
LATOYA BENJAMIN, DISTRICT ATTORNEY THOMPSON'S REPRESENTATIVE

Complete list of meeting attendees on file at District Office.

Chairperson Gary Reilly called the meeting to order at 6:40pm.

❖❖❖ ADOPTION OF MINUTES ❖❖❖

Board Member Roger Rigolli made a motion to accept the minutes of the December’s general meeting, seconded by Board Member Jerry Armer.

VOTE: 28 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTION
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 6:41 P.M.

CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT.....GARY REILLY

Chairperson Reilly opened the meeting by announcing his resignation from the position of Chair, effective at the close of tonight’s meeting. Mr. Reilly stated that he would remain on the board as a member through the end of the March general board meeting, and noted that he considers his time both as Chair and on the board to be a privilege and a great experience.

Mr. Reilly then outlined the procedural process following his resignation. The Chair noted that 1st Vice Chair Sayar Lonial would be replacing him as the Chair through the end of the current term, and that Mr. Lonial’s post would need to be filled. Mr. Lonial as the new Chairperson is afforded the opportunity to name his own 1st Vice Chair, with approval from the Executive Committee. Mr. Reilly asked that interested board members reach out to Mr. Lonial so that the process of choosing a 1st Vice Chair could be expedited.

Mr. Reilly remarked that Board Member Tom Miskel was in attendance, and welcomed Mr. Miskel back after a brief medical leave. The Chair remarked that the board is stronger when Mr. Miskel is present, and he wished Mr. Miskel good luck in his continued recovery.

Chairperson Reilly thanked Board Member Mike Racioppo for attending a rally at City Hall for the text amendments for Zoning for Quality and Affordability and Mandatory Inclusionary Housing. The Chair pointed out that the board voted to conditionally approve the text amendments in question before the New Year.

Mr. Reilly thanked Board Member Matt Silverman and District Manager Craig Hammerman for representing the board at a meeting with the Kings County District Attorney. Mr. Reilly continued by thanking Mr. Hammerman for representing the board at the Red Hook Summit meeting on January 30th.

The Chair announced that the Executive Committee voted on a new street co-naming policy, which is based on a number of other Community Board best practices from around the city. The new procedure established a number of new criteria for applicants, creating a higher threshold for approval.

Mr. Reilly closed his remarks by observing that a number of board members were in attendance with ashes on their foreheads, in the tradition and observation of Ash Wednesday. Mr. Reilly thanked those board members who were attendance on the Holiday, and remarked that their attendance was a sign on this board’s commitment to their community.

DISTRICT MANAGER’S REPORT.....CRAIG HAMMERMAN

District Manager Craig Hammerman began his report by announcing that the Department of Education would be holding an upcoming public hearing on a proposal to truncate Brooklyn School for Global Studies at 284

Baltic Street. The school is currently a grades 6-12 school, and the proposal is to remove grades 6-8 from the school. Mr. Hammerman stated that the board office has a copy of the full proposal if anyone wants to view it, and he invited those who wish to comment to attend the upcoming public hearing, March 14th at 6pm at the school itself.

Mr. Hammerman closed his comments by updating the board on a district needs project focusing on community engagement, on-which the district office is collaborating with the City University of New York. Mr. Hammerman introduced Professor Mary Lutz, whose class is working on the project. Professor Lutz thanked the board for their interest and cooperation, and expressed her enthusiasm for moving forward with the project.

❖❖❖ COMMITTEE REPORTS ❖❖❖

**LANDMARKS/LAND USE COMMITTEE.....ROBERT LEVINE, CHAIR, LANDMARKS
.....PETER FLEMING, CHAIR, LAND USE**

Landmarks Chair Robert Levine reported that the committee reviewed a Certificate of Appropriateness application for 69A 7th Avenue.

Motion: Recommendation to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness application submitted to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for a one-story rear yard extension and rooftop railings at 69A 7th Avenue (between Lincoln/Berkeley Places), Park Slope Historic District.

VOTE: 24 YEAS, 8 NAY, 1 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED
TIME: 7:12P.M.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION/PERMITS & LICENSES COMMITTEE
.....MARK SHAMES, ENV. PROTECTION CHAIR
.....MIKE RACIOPPA, PERMITS & LICENSES CHAIR**

Permits & Licenses Chair Mike Racioppo reported that the committee reviewed a new on-premises liquor license at 548 4th Avenue.

Motion: by Board Member Peter Fleming, seconded by Board Member Glenn Kelly;
Recommendation to approve a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of A & E Supply Corp. at 548 4th Avenue (between 14th/15th Streets).

VOTE: 31 YEAS, 0 NAY, 1 ABSTENTION
MOTION PASSED
TIME: 7:17P.M.

Permits & Licenses Chair Mike Racioppo reported that the committee reviewed a new on-premises liquor license at 645-651 Union Street.

Motion: by Board Member Glenn Kelly; seconded by Board Member Max Neuman
Recommendation to approve a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Union Investor LLC at 645-651 Union Street (between 3rd/4th Avenues).

VOTE: 32 YEAS, 0 NAY, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 7:22P.M.

Permits & Licenses Chair Mike Racioppo reported that the committee review a new on-premises liquor license at 421 Bond Street.

Motion: by Board Member Peter Fleming; seconded by Board Member Glenn Kelly
Recommendation to approve a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of 421 Bond Inc at 421 Bond Street (between 3rd/4th Streets).

VOTE: 32 YEAS, 0 NAY, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 7:32P.M.

Chairperson Reilly recognized elected officials representatives:

Juan Ardelá, representing Councilmember Brad Lander, wished the board a Happy New Year and noted that the Councilmember's office was working on a number of local constituent issues at this time.

Latoya Benjamin, representing the Brooklyn District Attorney's office, thanked District Manager Hammerman and Board Member Matt Silverman for their participation in a recent meeting at the DA's office. She specifically thanked Mr. Hammerman for his kind words regarding her role as liaison to the board.

Robert Young, representing State Senator Squadron's office, noted that the office had recently looked into the possibility of adding a stoplight at the corner of Columbia and Court Streets. Mr. Young thanked the board office as well as Councilmember Lander's office for their help in the matter.

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Patrick Szymore of the City Clerk's office briefed the board on the city's lobbying requirements.

Sandra Eddie of the Red Hook library updated the board on the libraries various adult education classes.

❖❖❖ NEW/OTHER BUSINESS ❖❖❖

Motion: by Board Member Roger Rigolli, seconded by Board Member Jerry Armer;
To adjourn the meeting.

VOTE: 32 YEAS, 0 NAY, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 7:45P.M.

Minutes submitted into the District Office by Assistant District Manager Ty Beatty on February 26, 2016.